UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Joseph A. Greenaway

v. : Criminal No. 08-488 (JAG)

SANDY RUIZ : SCHEDULING AND CONTINUANCE ORDER

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Christopher J. Christie, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Lee D. Vartan, Assistant U.S. Attorney), and defendant Sandy Ruiz (by Linda Foster, Esq.), for an order setting the briefing and trial schedules in this matter and for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in this matter:

IT IS ORDERED that defendant shall file any motions no later than September 18, 2008;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any reply to defendant's motions shall be filed no later than October 2, 2008;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that argument of any motions filed shall be October 15, 2008;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the trial in this matter is set for October 27, 2008; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period from August 11, 2008 through

October 27, 2008 shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974

because: (1) the parties are preparing to engage in preliminary discussions concerning entering

into a plea agreement, and the defendant desires additional time to review discovery, and both the

United States and the defendant seek additional time to pursue such discussions, which may render trial of this matter unnecessary; (2) the defendant has consented to the continuance; (3) the grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources; and (4) pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

HON. JOSEPH A. GREENAW

8-14-08

United States District Judge